



# Chapman Primary School

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## **Voluntary Contributions for 2018**

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the beginning of the new school year.

The education opportunities available at Chapman Primary P-6 School rank with the best available at any school in Canberra. As a Government school, funding is largely sourced from the ACT Government. It covers the overhead costs of the building as well as providing some of the amenity that supports the rounded and balanced education we are accustomed to at Chapman Primary School. However, if the school had to rely purely on Government funding, the School Board would need to review the budget and some of the programs currently in place would be at risk of curtailment or abandonment.

Therefore, I write to request your continued financial support of our school. Your contribution will allow the school to provide those extras that add significant value to your child or children's education. On behalf of the School Board, I ask every family to make a financial contribution to support our children throughout the year.

The total amount of voluntary contribution varies in line with the number of children in the family that attend our school, and we ask:

- \$130 for one child
- \$230 for two children
- \$330 for three children, or
- \$430 for four or more children.

Please note, the payment of financial contributions is voluntary and The Education Act 2004 states your child will not be refused benefits or services if you do not choose to contribute.

Our preference is for your voluntary contribution to be made in one payment at the beginning of this year. Instalments and other special arrangements are available—please speak to the Business Manager at the front office. All individual financial dealings with the school remain confidential, known only to the Principal and Business Manager.

Our school is strongly supported by our community and it is this high level of engagement that underpins the excellence of student educational achievement and adds to the vibrancy of our school environment. All contributions—including monetary, time and effort—are actively encouraged at our school and are greatly appreciated by the Board and the staff at Chapman Primary School.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to another successful and wonderful year ahead.

Yours faithfully

Bronwyn Madge  
Board Chair